

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1, 3-8, and 11-13, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A sheet cutting apparatus comprising:

cutting means for cutting a sheet bundle;

rotatable receiving means for receiving the cutting means, the rotatable
receiving means driven in a certain direction;

dust processing means for receiving a dust made by cutting the sheet bundle
with the cutting means, disposed below the rotatable receiving means shifted in the certain
direction;

receiving position moving means for moving a receiving position on the
rotatable receiving means for receiving the cutting means; and

counting means for counting a number of cutting times of the sheet bundles,
wherein the receiving position moving means moves the receiving position on
the rotatable receiving means according to information out of the counting means.

2. (Original) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the
counting means counts up the number of the cutting times of the sheet bundles by counting up a
number of moving times of movement of the cutting means in a sheet thickness direction.

3. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein information given when judgment is made as that the rotatable receiving means reaches a replacement period according to information from the counting means.

4. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, and further comprising detecting means for detecting a moving amount of the rotatable receiving means, wherein information is given when judgment is made as that the rotatable receiving means reaches a replacement period according to a signal from the detecting means.

5. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the rotatable receiving means is ~~rotatable and~~ in a roller shape.

6. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the rotatable receiving means is ~~rotatable and~~ in a belt shape.

7. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, and further comprising storing means for storing cut sheet dusts, wherein a cut sheet dust processing in which cut sheet dusts are moved into the storing means is performed by moving the rotatable receiving means in association with the receiving position moving means.

8. (Currently Amended) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the cut sheet dust processing is defined as to rotate the rotatable receiving means in

prescribed amount by the receiving position moving means, and wherein the movement of the rotatable receiving means is defined as to rotate the rotatable receiving means in a very small amount by the receiving position moving means.

9. (Original) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the cutting means is a plate shape.

10. (Original) The sheet cutting apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the cutting means is in a disc shape.

11. (Currently Amended) A sheet processing apparatus comprising:
conveying means for conveying a sheet;
aligning means for aligning a plurality of the sheets; and
a sheet cutting apparatus as set forth in any of claim 1 to claim 4 and claim 7 to claim 10.

12. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:
conveying means for conveying a sheet;
image forming means for forming an image on the sheet; and
a sheet cutting apparatus as set forth in any of claim 1 to claim 4 and claim 7 to claim 10.

13. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:

conveying means for conveying a sheet;

image forming means for forming an image on the sheet; and

cutting means for cutting a sheet bundle;

rotatable receiving means for receiving the cutting means, the rotatable receiving means driven in a certain direction;

dust processing means for receiving a dust made by cutting the sheet bundle with the cutting means, disposed below the rotatable receiving means shifted in the certain direction;

receiving position moving means for moving a receiving position on the rotatable receiving means for receiving the cutting means; and

counting means for counting a number of cutting times of the sheet bundles,

wherein the receiving position moving means moves the receiving position on the rotatable receiving means according to information out of the counting means.